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Lee W. JOHNSTON et al. ) Group Art Unit: 3761  
Serial No.: 09/997,233 / ) Examiner: To Be Assigned  
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Sir:

Responsive to the attached U.S. Patent and Trademark Office "Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application" mailed January 11, 2002, Applicants submit herewith an executed Declaration for filing in the cited patent application, along with the required fee of \$130.00 for late filing of the Declaration. Accordingly, it is respectfully requested that a filing date of November 30, 2001 be granted to this application.

Applicants submit herewith substitute drawings in compliance with 37 C.F.R. §1.84.

Also enclosed is an executed Assignment document and Assignment Recordation Cover

Sheet.

Enclosed is a check including:

Statutory basic filing fee	\$740.00
Late filing of Declaration	130.00
29 Additional Claims	522.00
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Respectfully submitted,

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**NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION**

**FILED UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)**

***Filing Date Granted***

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The statutory basic filing fee is missing.  
*Applicant must submit \$ 740 to complete the basic filing fee for a non-small entity. If appropriate, applicant may make a written assertion of entitlement to small entity status and pay the small entity filing fee (37 CFR 1.27).*
- Total additional claim fee(s) for this application is \$522.
  - \$522 for 29 total claims over 20.
- The oath or declaration is unsigned.
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(l) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
- **The balance due by applicant is \$ 1392.**

The application is informal since it does not comply with the regulations for the reason(s) indicated below.

The required item(s) identified below must be timely submitted to avoid abandonment:

- Substitute drawings in compliance with 37 CFR 1.84 because:

- drawing sheets do not have the appropriate margin(s) (see 37 CFR 1.84(g)). Each sheet must include a top margin of at least 2.5 cm. (1 inch), a left side margin of at least 2.5 cm. (1 inch), a right side margin of at least 1.5 cm. (5/8 inch), and a bottom margin of at least 1.0 cm. (3/8 inch);

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